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TO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: US VISIT OF GOI MINISTER OF  
COMMUNICATIONS

REF: NEW DELHI 8826

1. MEPD, USDOC HAS COMMUNICATED WITH NTIA, USDOC REGARDING  
THE MINISTER'S INABILITY TO MAKE A FIRM ACCEPTANCE OF  
INVITATION WITHOUT GO AHEAD FROM PM DESAI. BOTH UNITS  
AGREE THAT A MORE FIRM ITINERARY CANNOT WAIT UNTIL JUNE  
18 THEREFORE A NEW SCHEDULE IS PROVIDED HERE OF COURSE  
IF THERE IS ANYTHING THE MINISTER DEFINITELY DOES NOT  
WANT TO DO IT WILL BE CANCELLED BUT AT THIS POINT WE  
WILL PRETTY MUCH HAVE TO ABIDE BY SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:  
JUNE 26, 9:30 AM WELCOME AT US DEPT. OF COMMERCE  
11:00 NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION  
ADMIN., (NTIA) LEE JOHNSON, ASSOC. ADMINISTRATOR OF  
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POLICY ANALYSIS  
12:00 MEETING AND LUNCH WITH NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL OF  
THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES  
3:00 MEETING WITH FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
CHAIRMAN, FERRIS AND WITH COMMISSIONER WASHBURN WHOSE  
INTERESTS LIE IN THE INTERNATIONAL AREA

JUNE 27 9:30 NTIA ASSISTANT SECRETARY, HENRY GELLER  
10:30 ASSOC. ADMINISTRATOR FOR APPLICATIONS, NTIA,  
BILL LUCAS  
12:15 DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, NTIA,  
RONNIE AHERN  
12:00 U.S. DEPT. OF STATE MEETING AND LUNCH WITH VARIOUS  
STATE DEPT. OFFICIALS INCLUDING U.S. AMBASSADOR TO  
THE WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE  
3:30 SECRETARY OF COMMERCE JUANITA KREPS  
5:00 COMSAT MEETING AND DINNER  
JUNE 28 9:30 COMSAT LABS  
2:00 NTIA, GOVERNMENT SPECTRUM, ANNAPOLIS  
JUNE 29 9:00 GODDARD SPACE CENTER  
12:45 NATIONAL AIRLINES FLIGHT 441 TO ORLANDO  
6:00 COMSTAR LAUNCH AT CAPE KENNEDY  
JUNE 30 HARRIS  
JULY 1-4 FREE  
JULY 4 TRAVEL TO ATLANTA  
JULY 5 SCIENTIFIC ATLANTA  
JULY 6 EARLY AM FLIGHT TO GREENSBORO

JULY 7 BELL LABS  
JULY 8-9 WEEKEND FREE  
JULY 9 TRAVEL TO DALLAS  
JULY 10 TEXAS INSTRUMENTS TRAVEL TO LOS ANGELES  
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JULY 11 HUGHES AIRCRAFT  
JULY 12 TRAVEL TO SAN FRANCISCO FORD AEROSPACE CORP.  
JULY 13 LEAVE FOR NEW DELHI  
PLEASE PROVIDE ANY CHANGES, COMMENTS TO MEPD, ASAP.

2. NEED ANSWERS TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

A) WILL VERMA NEED AN ESCORT AS HE TRAVELS AROUND US ?  
B) ARE THERE ANY DIETARY PREFERENCES TO BE OBSERVED?  
(SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS WILL BE HOSTING THE MINISTER AT  
LUNCHEES AND DINNERS)  
C) IS THE INDIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON HANDLING HIS  
HOTEL RESERVATIONS IN WASHINGTON?  
D) ASSUME MEPD SHOULD MAKE ALL FLIGHT RESERVATIONS FOR  
TRIP AROUND U.S. DO WE RESERVE FIRST CLASS? PLEASE  
ADVISE HOW PAYMENT FOR TRANSPORTATION IN THE U.S. WILL  
BE ACCOMPLISHED?  
E) WHERE WILL MINISTER SPEND 4TH OF JULY WEEKEND AND  
WEEKEND OF EIGHT AND NINTH? (SCIENTIFIC ATLANT INFORMS  
MEPD THERE IS GOOD THREE HOUR FOURTH OF JULY PARADE IN  
ATLANTA)  
MINISTER WHOULD ARRIVE IN ATLANTA EVENING OF FOURTH OF  
JULY IF NOT ALREADY THERE-MEPD WILL INCLUDE THIS AIR

TRAVEL RESERVATION AND THE ONE ON THE NINTH TO DALLAS

ONCE GIVEN VERMA'S CHOICE OF WEEKEND VISITS

F) WILL VERMA ARRIVE ON THE TWENTY-FIFTH SO THAT A  
MEETING EARLY ON THE TWENTY-SIXTH WILL BE RESONABLE?

WHAT ARE HIS PLANS FOR ARRIVING AND EXITING THE U.S.?

3. HAVE NOT HEARD FROM INDIAN EMBASSY WASH.,DC  
REGARDING THIS VISIT. WOULD LIKE TO WORK DIRECTLY WITH  
THEM ON DETAILS. CHRISTOPHER

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